Attorney Docket No. 506431-0035 Express Mail Label No.: EV 258727415 US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s)

C. Edward Baxter, Jr.

Serial No.

Not Yet Assigned

Filing Date

Not Yet Assigned

Title

: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING MID-RANGE

VINYLIDENE CONTENT POLYISOBUTYLENE

POLYMER PRODUCTS

Group/Art Unit

: Not Yet Assigned

Examiner Confirmation No.

Not Yet Assigned Not Yet Assigned

Atty. Docket No.

506431.0035

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b), the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A (Substitute for Form 1449A-B/PTO) are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. The present application is a continuation of prior application, Serial No. 10/102,279, filed March 19, 2002, which claims priority from provisional application Serial No. 60/279,305, filed March 28, 2001, and are hereby incorporated by reference. The cited documents are already of record in the parent case, and therefore, copies are not being submitted with the present statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). Submission of these references is not an admission that the references constitute prior art.

Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on:

Date: ___

Signature:

ara Gurley

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional amount required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-4409.

Attorney Docket No. 506431-0035 Express Mail Label No.: EV 258727415 US

Applicants respectfully request that these references be made of record in the above-identified application and considered by the Examiner during prosecution of the application.

It is respectfully submitted that the present invention as claimed is patentable over the listed references.

This information disclosure statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under § 1.53(d) or before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is due.

Acknowledgment of receipt is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

y: fames

ames H. Marsh, Jr., Reg. No. 24,533

STINSON MORRISON HECKER LLP

1201 Walnut, Suite 2800

Kansas City, MO 64106-2150

Telephone: (816) 842-8600 Facsimile: (816) 691-3495 Attorney for Applicant PTO/SB/08A (08-00)
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Application Number:

First Named Inventor:

Filing Date:

Complete if Known

Not Yet Assigned

Not Yet Assigned

C. Edward Baxter, Jr.

Substitute for Form 1449A/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

	(use as many sheets	as ne	cessary)	Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned	
	·		•	Examiner Name:	Not Yet Assigned
Sheet	1	of	3	Attorney Docket Number:	506431.0035

Examiner	Cite	U.S. Patent Document	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines
nitials*	No.1	Kind Code ² Number (if known)	of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		132,264	Eames et al.	10-15-1872	Tigures Appear
		2,139,038	Russell	12-06-38	
		2,379,656	Ruthruff	07-03-45	
		2,407,494	Hartvigsen	09-10-46	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		2,411,097	Корр	11-12-46	
		2,559,062	Domte	07-03-51	
		2,559,984	Montgomery et al.	07-10-51	
		2,727,022	Linsk	12-13-55	
		2,833,840	Longwell	05-06-58	
		2,856,395	Richard, Jr. et al.	10-14-58	
		2,889,370	Schechter	06-02-59	
		2,918,508	Coopersmith et al.	12-22-59	
		3,024,226	Nolan, Jr.	03-06-62	
		3,166,546	Nolan, Jr.	01-19-65	
		3,284,537	Webb, Jr.	11-08-66	
		3,306,907	McNinch	02-28-67	
		3,346,354	Kautsky, et al.	10-10-67	
		3,382,291	Brennan	05-07-68	
		3,634,383	Miller, Jr.	01-11-72	
		3,726,842	Treischmann et al.	04-10-73	
		3,778,487	Driscoll et al.	12-11-73	
		3,780,128	Shubkin	12-18-73	
		3,849,085	Kreuz, et al.	11-19-74	
		3,849,085	Kreuz et al.	11-19-74	
		3,927,041	Cengel et al.	12-16-75	
		3,935,249	Puskas et al.	01-27-76	
		3,991,129	Daniels	11-09-76	
		4,110,521	Barnett et al.	08-29-78	
		4,152,499	Boerzel et al.	05-01-79	
		4,227,027	Booth et al.	10-07-80	
		4,231,759	Udelhofen, ed al.	11-04-80	
		4,231,759	Udelhofen et al.	11-04-80	
		4,238,628	Cahill, et al.	12-09-80	
		4,238,628	Cahill et al.	12-09-80	
		4,383,093	Shiraki et al.	05-10-83	
		4,391,959	Fauth et al.	07-05-83	
		4,400,493	Abernathy, Jr. et al.	08-23-83	
		4,429,099	Kennedy et al.	01-31-84	
		4,433,197	Vogel et al.	02-21-84	
		4,605,808	Samson	08-12-86	
		4,663,406	Bronstert et al.	05-05-87	
		4,691,072	Schick et al.	09-01-87	-
		4,849,572	Chen et al.	07-18-89	
		4,883,847	Leung e tal.	11-28-89	
		4,914,166	Kennedy et al.	04-03-90	
		4,943,616	Mishra et al.	07-24-90	
		4,956,512	Nissfolk et al.	09-11-90	

	4,973,733	Valkovich et al.	11-27-90	
	4,982,042	Akatsu et al.	01-01-91	
	5,068,490	Eaton	11-26-91	
	5,175,225	Ruhe, Jr.	12-29-92	
	5,175,225	Ruhe, Jr.	12-29-92	
	5,191,044	Rath et al.	03-02-93	
	5,192,335	Cherpeck	03-09-93	
	5,192,335	Cherpeck	03-09-93	
	5,254,649	Miln et al.	10-19-93	
	5,254,784	Nurminen et al.	10-19-83	
	5,286,823	Rath	02-15-94	
	5,300,701	Cherpeck	04-05-94	
	5,300,701	Cherpeck	04-05-94	
	5,408,018	Rath	04-18-95	
	5,439,991	Colman et al.	08-08-95	
	5,448,001	Baird	09-05-95	
	5,563,313	Chung et al.	10-08-96	
	5,710,225	Johnson et al.	01-20-98	
	5,731,379	Kennan et al.	03-24-98	
_	5,733,993	Yu et al.	03-31-98	
	5,767,334	Nissfolk et al.	06-16-98	
	5,779,742	Baker	07-14-98	
	5,792,729	Harrison et al.	08-11-98	
	5,811,616	Holub et al.	09-22-98	
	5,814,706	Yu et al.	09-29-98	
	5,910,550	Rath	06-08-99	
	5,962,604	Rath	10-05-99	
	6,562,913	Baxter, Jr. et al.	05-13-03	-·· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

				FOREIGN	PATENT DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Office ³	Foreign Patent Docume	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T 6
		Canada	2,217,848			12-19-96		
		Canada	2,195,575			02-08-96		
		Germany	1,592,016			07-01-81		
		Germany	DE 27 02 604			07-27-78		
		GB	1,159,368			07-23-69		
		EPC	0 279 456 A1			08-24-88		
		EPC	0 322 241 A1			06-28-89		
		EPC	0 355 997 A1			02-28-90		П
		EPC	0 400 905 A1			12-05-90		
		EPC	0 481 297 A2			04-22-92		
		EPC	0 628 575 A1			12-14-94		
		EPC	0 671 419 A1			09-13-95		
		EPC	0 831 141 A1			03-25-98		
		EPC	0 628 022 B1			11-03-98		T
		PCT	WO 94/14739			04-07-94		1
		PCT	WO 93/10063			05-27-93		\vdash
		PCT	WO 01/19873			03-23-2001		†

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

¹Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

PTO/SB/08B (08-00)
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Complete if Known Substitute for Form 1449B/PTO (Modified) **Application Number:** Not Yet Assigned INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Filing Date: Not Yet Assigned First Named Inventor: C. Edward Baxter, Jr. STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned (use as many sheets as necessary) Examiner Name: Not Yet Assigned Sheet of 3 Attorney Docket Number: 506431.0035

Examiner Initials*	aminer Cite Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the titem (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published		T ²
		None.	
	-		
Examin		Date	

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.